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THE GAZETTE OFFICE—NOTICE

Freight inquiries for us at our office at the Centre render it necessary that we should state that our Central Office in Bloomfield is simply or chiefly only a PUBLICATION OFFICE, regularly open on Friday; which is our publication day. The papers are distributed from that office on that day through the mail, or otherwise, to subscribers, and to news dealers. We visit that office daily to get such communications and advertisements as may be placed in our office box, but our editorial room is at our residence on Washington street, where we may generally be found in our Library before nine a. m., and after 4 p. m., and will be happy to see our friends and those who have any GAZETTE business with us. Letters by post or through our office box reach us twice every day.

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THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

Standing upon independent ground, as the SATURDAY GAZETTE always has, we are in a position to judge impartially of the general results of the late election and perhaps to consider some of the causes contributing thereto.

An astounding defeat is admitted. Though to some minds it was foreshadowed in the October elections, few regarded them as admittable. The revolution which gave character to the late elections therefore needs explanation. Its suddenness was almost without precedent, its indiscriminate action was of the nature of panic, or at least of impulse, and its wide extent of manifestation at the same time, shows that it was not of premeditation and design; indeed the Democratic party were no less surprised than the Republicans.

We are disposed to recognize a wise and gracious Providence in it, and we think it must be accepted as a merited rebuke from Heaven to the Party in power. When we look at even the indirect complicity of the dominant party with iniquity; the insurrection and continuance of misrule in the South especially, of the wrongs, oppressions and murders openly and fearlessly perpetrated there of innocent helpless thousands, we cannot wonder that their tears and their blood cry out from the treacherous sanctuaries of liberty to a just God for relief and vengeance. "The face of the Lord is against them that do evil."

Is it not a rebuke also to the selfishness of politicians in office (and to those likewise who aspire to position with no better purpose) who, satisfied with their own elevation, ease and emoluments, heed not the complaints of the poor and suffering? To those who are more intent on "feathering their own nests," than in ameliorating the distressful conditions of the overburdened taxpayers! Doubtless this will strike many as a novel view; some will even sneer at it as carpings, censure, or censorious criticism; but had we not better hear the truth and consider its instructions? An eminent king once showed his docility and wisdom by saying—"I thought on my

ways and turned my feet unto thy testimonies," meaning God's word. Should not we recognize the fact that the Almighty has smitten our Party not doubt that the blow, though severe, is richly deserved? No chastening for the present is joyous but grievous, but if we are wise, humble and penitent, we shall discern the purposes of grace and reform our practices. When, in our political affairs and duties, in office and out of office, we recognize and acknowledge the Sovereign Ruler, decreeing justice because it is will, rewarding virtue to promote His honor, voting for good and capable men, and enacting and upholding righteous laws to please Him, and acting with truth and fidelity in all things because He has commanded it, then we shall be the "happy people whose God is the Lord." And the Party that assumes this attitude may rely on being sustained as the organ and exponent of such government.

Does it not behove the Republican official to make a thorough and conscientious examination, each one for himself, as to his part and responsibility in bringing this political judgment upon the Party? And then, having honestly admitted their own guiltiness, to set about to reform in principle and practice. "When a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him."

And now having said so much in confession and depreciation of the general delinquencies chargeable to the Republican Party it is but just that we should be equally honest and plain in noticing specific agencies in producing this unexpected revolution. This we must omit, however, till another week, as it will require more space than we have to spare now and it is of too much significance to be treated lightly.

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS.

EAGLE CLIFF—RIDGEWOOD HEIGHTS. Some remarks that we made last week about the superior attraction of EAGLE CLIFF, back of Montclair, have elicited not a little attention and comment both in Bloomfield and Montclair, and even in Newark. It is admitted that there is nothing equal to it east of the Rocky Mountains for a combination of almost every element that makes up and inspires the ideas

of beauty, grandeur, sublimity, sweetness, composition, tranquility and many other features, that, at times and under various aspects, amplify and intensify these.

Many travel hundreds of miles with much toil and expense, to scale Mount Washington, and are generally rewarded only with a squall of snow or sleet, or a humid atmosphere of dense haze, forbidding pleasurable view, or agreeable feelings. Others make a long day's tedious sail on the Hudson, or nervous ride by rail, and with weariness and dusty hours in slow coaches, to enjoy the view from Catskill Mountain, and it is fine.

But here we have, within an hour's easy access, from the Metropolis, a succession of views that have no equal on the Atlantic sea board, on which the senses may regale themselves *ad libitum* and without satiety.

Views of not less than seven populous cities, with their evidences of wealth and power; innumerable picturesquesque and emblazoned villages; thousands of rustic cottages, elegant villas and well kept farms; four navigable rivers and many smaller streams; mountains, hills and plains; valleys and dells; woods and fields; orchards and gardens; the distant ocean; the masts of shipping, the smoking of steamers, the moving of trains; all fertile in inspiration and suggestion, pleasing to the eye, enchanting to the mind, captivating the heart.

The sagacious men composing our County Road Board, with far-seeing wisdom, have already planned and surveyed a public road, as we are informed, from near Millburn, some twelve miles perhaps, along or near the top of Eagle Cliff, to the vicinity of the Notch. If it is not to be constructed immediately, it certainly cannot be delayed many years, and when built it must form one of the finest Boulevards we had almost said, in the world.

Cannot we have a road-way opened soon, and perhaps with little labor and small expense made passable for a carriage or even a bridle road? This would be a beginning and familiarize our citizens with the retreat and the prospect. We would commend this suggestion to the Road Board.

Meanwhile we are happy to inform pleasure takers and the rest of mankind, that Bloomfield, thanks to the Road Board, will have an extensive and lovely drive as can at present be found in Essex County. Her Ridgewood Avenue, 80 feet wide, extending from near Orange Center, in a westerly direction, and parallel to Eagle Cliff, some eight or ten miles to the northern line of the County is being graded and constructed, forming an elevated and beautiful drive, 250 to 300 feet above tide water, and commanding magnificent views far away to the east, and a splendid mountain scenery on the west. This will be Bloomfield's finest Boulevard and will have the present advantage of many first class and attractive residences already established on it. Those who are thinking of getting homes in the country may be assured that they will make no mistake in investing in this region. Only 12 miles from New York and with unsurpassed sublimity of climate lands in this vicinity must constantly appreciate for many years to come.

EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.—Triennial Convention of the Protestant Episcopal church always a notable assembly. The recent session in New York by reason of the questions which it was known would come before it, and of the session of Bishop Cummins and Rev. Mr. Cheney and others who have organized "The reformed Episcopal Church," had acquired greater importance than any other meeting of this body for a long period of years. The universal respect which is commonly observed for the Episcopal Church attracts much attention to the proceedings of its chief organic body; whose measures are watched and weighed in reference to their probable bearing upon the interests of vital religion and true evangelical Christianity throughout this land.

The Ritualistic controversy was perhaps the great question of the session. We are neither disposed or qualified to indulge in animadversion upon this fertile and momentous topic, but as chroniclers of passing and significant events we feel bound to give to our readers whatever opinion and exposition will tend to illuminate important discussion, and aid them in forming a right estimate of public measures in church as well as in state. We give on our first page two thoughtful articles which we think will contribute to this end and which we hope will be thoughtfully read.

New N. Y. Post Office.—The Domes of the New Post Office in New York are respectively 199 and 186 feet from the ground, and command a magnificent view of the city, the harbor and the adjacent shores of New Jersey, Staten Island, and Long Island.

BELLEVILLE.—It is said that an effort will be made at the ensuing Legislature to repeat the charter of Belleville and annex it to Newark.

WEATHER.—The weather for five or six weeks past has been of the most magnificent kind. The only drawback has been the excessive amount of fine dust which has filled the air at times.

BOARDING SCHOOL.—We understand there are a few vacancies in Mr. Hazeltine's Female Institute at Morristown. It will be a good time for new pupils to enter the school immediately after Thanksgiving Day. For terms, which we believe are moderate, apply by letter or otherwise to C. G. Hazeltine, A. M. at the Institute. We cordially recommend this excellent school.

TALMAGE'S PAPER.—THE CHRISTIAN AT WORK (New York) ranks with the best of the religious weeklies. Dr. Talmage is its active editor, and his sermons are published exclusively in its columns. The terms, \$3.25 per annum, cover everything, including postage and delivery of the new premium, a "Portfolio of Twelve Gems," or a copy of LANDER'S "Twins." Without the premium it is only \$3 per annum, above. Agents will find this a success.

DELINQUENTS.—There are a number of subscribers who have not yet paid their subscription for the present year. May we ask their prompt attention to this little matter.

ABOUT NOTICES.—Those who desire to have the deaths of friends published in the GAZETTE had better furnish written particulars to us, or instruct the undersigned to do it. It should be left at our office by 9 o'clock on Thursday morning.

HOME MATTERS

WEATHER CHRONICLE

Range of Thermometer at Bloomfield Centre Nov. 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 At 7 A.M. 36° 53° 36° 30° 48° 37° 47 At Noon 55° 65° 56° 57° 58° 60° 59 At 9 P.M. 51° 57° 49° 47° 47° 53° 46

BLOOMFIELD.

NEW PARSONAGE.—At a Parish meeting of the Presbyterian Church, Bloomfield, on Monday evening, the question of a Parsonage was finally settled by an almost unanimous concurrence in a resolution requesting the trustees to purchase the new house and lot on the Green, next to Dr. Ward's. We should think this decision will give general satisfaction to the members of the Congregation. A more convenient and eligible location for the purpose could not be found. And after inspecting the house a second time, we hesitate not to give our confirmed judgment that it is well built and admirably arranged, with ample room and all modern improvements and, of course, coming out of that upright builder's hands, Peter Condit, in perfect order. We congratulate the Church on this pleasant settlement of the diverse opinions respecting location and building. Their Tabernacle is undergoing a much needed renovation and will soon be completed, in good taste, we think, so that there will be nothing lacking there. And now the new and commodious parsonage gives the church a home. With true harmony and Christian love for which this church has been noted, there is no reason why it may not be a light and a power for good in the community. May the Shekinah smile propitious and bless pastor and people.

SUNDAY last, was observed as a day in which special reference was made to young men. A prayer meeting was held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms at 9:45 a. m., and at 3 p. m. In the evening a union service was held in the Congregational church. The attendance was large indicating considerable interest in the exercises. Rev. Dr. Butterfield presided, and the Rev. Messrs. Maxwell, Smith and Bradford participated in the exercises. Rev. Dr. J. R. Berry was unavoidably absent.

Rev. J. B. Eaton has returned to his pastoral work in Portland, leaving Montclair finally, last Saturday.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM HANOVER, MORRIS COUNTY.

November 7, 1874.

MR. EDITOR:—On last Sunday afternoon, Wm. Taylor, who had been at work near Whippny, broke into the house of John D. Merri, a bachelor, living above near Passaic river, and took away a suit of clothes, under clothing, razor, fiddle, and fiddle strings, and left his cane. His course towards Swainfield bridge was tracked by the things he dropped, among which were two trinkets he had stolen elsewhere. He lodged that night in Roseland, and on Monday morning went towards Orange. In the evening he returned to Morris County, and on Tuesday was arrested on a warrant issued by Justice J. B. Condit of Hanover and lodged in jail at Morristown. The fiddle strings were seized by him at Roseland and the razor was found on him after his arrest, but the other things have not yet been found. He had previously, at different times, stolen property, clothing, bed-clothes, and various other articles, from different persons in Whippny and Roseland. His family live in Maryland.

W. OUR NEW YORK CORRESPONDENCE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10, 1874.

THE NEW POST OFFICE.

The new Post Office is rapidly approaching completion. The roof is on and the domes are up. The building, although of great size and quite high, has a rather squat appearance owing to the fact that the entire dome has nothing as yet to bear the flatness of the top. The exterior seems to be about completed. At present there is a force of several hundred men engaged upon the building. Architecturally the new Post Office might be more beautiful, but it is such a great improvement upon the old sheds down in Nassau street, now used for post office purposes that we can but complain.

A cellar and subcellar run under the entire building. The subcellar will be divided into store and furnace rooms. There are eight furnaces for heating the building, two for the elevators. The cellar or basement, covering over an acre of ground, will be in one room in which letters, newspapers and packages will be sorted for the post office proper. A spacious gallery will extend around the Park Row and Broadway sides of the building. This gallery will have a glass floor which will also be the ceiling of the lobby. The lobby and all the hallways will be floored with white and colored marble, while yellow pine will be used in the different rooms. On the City Hall side will be the room for the mail wagons enclosed by high iron fence. The second story for the use of the Postmaster and Assistant Postmaster, the Auditor and special agents, the money order department, and other offices connected with the postal service.

CHURCH SOCIALE.—The first church Sociale of the session we understand will be held, on his invitation, at Mr. Israel Ward's, on the East side of the Green, on Wednesday evening next. Statutory hospitality administered to hungry Christians at 7 o'clock.

A CARD.

BLOOMFIELD, Nov. 7, 1874.

Editor of SATURDAY GAZETTE:

DEAR SIR: I desire to correct the notice of Berkeley Union Sunday School Public Entertainment which appeared in your issue of to-day. My object in so doing is to have the credit fall to whom it belongs. There was but one Recitation by a scholar of our school, under the guidance of S. H. Jenkins, Teacher of Bible Class, (and not "the devoted Secretary.") For the rest of the Recitation and Singing by children, we are indebted to the Lady Superintendent of the Clinton Avenue Residential School, who kindly assisted us by the aid of some of her talented scholars in making our entertainments so pleasant, and to Miss Day of same place, we would add our acknowledgment of the praise which she has already received for her excellent Recitation of "The Curse of Bell." The remaining part of our programme, with the exception of the parts sustained by Mr. and Miss Pollock and Miss J. Fairbanks, whose kindness is hereby acknowledged, were executed by our own teachers and scholars. While "John Anderson and wife" was a voluntary delineation heartily appreciated. For the increase of our treasury in the sum of one hundred and one dollars and 39 cents (\$101.39) we are indebted to our many kind friends, who favored us with their approval and presence, and to the officers of the Westminster church for the use of their chapel.

Very respectfully yours,

SAMUEL H. JENKINS.

CLERICAL VISITOR.—Rev. W. D. Hud- den from East Orange, occupied the pulpit of the Baptist church here, last Sabbath.

Rev. DR. STURBERT has returned from his vacation and will it is presumed be able to occupy his own pulpit now.

SCHOOL.—Miss Mitchell has not yet reopened her school since the sickness that dispersed it.

MONTCLAIR.

TOWN COUNCIL—MONTCLAIR.

Nov. 11.—All present but Dr. Love.

The work of opening and grading Ol- side Ave. from Watchung Ave. to Bellme- Ave. having been completed and the

door to the building is to be of solid mahogany, and, with the exception of some black walnut, all the interior wood-work will be of this material. The walls and ceilings will not be frescoed at present.

Four staircases will run from the cellar to the top, and one to the second story from the vestibule at the main entrance. In addition to the ten elevators from the basement to the first floor, four will run from the cellar to the attic. Super- vising Architect Mullet has designed a novel plan, by which two elevators will be run through the whole height of a staircase.

The doses, which are respectively one hundred and ninety-one and one hundred and eighty-six feet from the ground, command a magnificent view of the city. It is thought that the post-office department of the building will be ready for occupancy in July, and the Court rooms perhaps earlier.

THE POPULAR STYLES OF ARCHITECTURE.

Some time ago the rage in building materials was iron and glass; as witness Lord & Taylor's and Stewart's new stores. Years before that marble was the one and only recognized point, for example, of which we have the City Hall, new Court House and Herald building. Now pressed brick with freestone or marble trimmings is the height of the builder's desires. There is the new *Tribune* building with its fine stories of solid brick overlooking New-park Row, and its tall tower piercing the sky. On the corner of Broadway and Day Street stands the Western Union Telegraph Company's building. That is of brick and granite and also terminates in a tower. On the top of this immense tower a 40x20 foot high steeple some time ago, and to the top of that of two new newspaper reporters of this city climbed and surveyed the landscape o'er. The towers of the *Tribune* building and that of the Telegraph Company will each contain a clock with an illuminated dial.

Another resolution was passed directing the collector to collect from Mr. A. Busing \$127.03 and pay the same to Mrs. A. E. Taylor for a small triangle of land at the junction of Gates and Mountain Ave. which was set off by the Road Commissioners.

A petition from property owners on the line of Nishnabotna Brook running near Orange Road, for award of damages in account of expense of grading the said brook, to adapt its course to the grade of new streets opened by the town. This petition was referred to the Council who gave opinion that the Council had no right to make such award as the town had only exercised its natural and necessary duty to relieve and protect streets from superfluous water by turning it into the channels of streams. Petition denied.

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